

CONFIRMATIONS.

Right Rev. Bishop McCloskey has announced the dates for confirmation services at a number of the local Catholic churches, which will begin Sunday, March 10, at St. John's, Clay and Walnut. On May 4 the Bishop will confirm at St. Patrick's and on May 18 at the Cathedral.

LECTURE AT FAIRFIELD.

Rev. Father Boland delivered a lecture in St. Michael's church, Fairfield, Ky., last Sunday, which was highly appreciated by the large congregation. Father Boland is a young priest beloved by his people. The choir, under direction of Prof. S. Simpson, rendered fine music on the occasion. Mr. Harry Soete, of Louisville, singing a bass solo.

SATOLLI COUNCIL.

Satolli Council, Y. M. I., has made rapid strides since the beginning of the year. Numbers of the best young men in the city are becoming members, and the council is now arranging for a great smoker for those initiated since January 1. At the last regular meeting the degrees were conferred upon Messrs William Hetterman, Charles Fedler, Joseph Francis, Jr., George H. Francis, Frank G. Clerget, William Miller, John McIntyre and Henry Lancaster. President Sullivan and Secretary Crotty are determined Satolli shall be in front when the Grand Council meets here.

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The new St. Augustine's church for colored people, Fourteenth and Broadway, will be blessed on Sunday morning, April 6, the Right Rev. Bishop McCloskey officiating. Splendid progress has been made and when completed it will be a handsome church building.

SPRING PLANS.

The Married Women's Club of Holy Trinity church, New Albany, had an interesting meeting last Sunday afternoon. During the past few months they have given many pleasing entertainments and raised goodly sums for church purposes. Plans for the spring and summer were discussed and are now under consideration. The ladies will shortly announce their programme.

MEMORIAL SERVICES.

Memorial services of the I. O. R. M. will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at Macauley's Theater. The chief address will be delivered by Hon. Thomas H. Watts, of Montgomery, Ala., Great Junior Sagamore of the United States. A musical and vocal programme will be rendered by some of the best local talent, after which a brief address will be delivered by Robert W. Bingham, of this city. The public in general is cordially invited.

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IRELAND.

Record of the Most Important of the Recent Events Culled From Exchanges.

Mr. O'Hees has been appointed Governor of Wexford jail, in succession to Mr. Morrow, retired on pension.

At Mallow the man Sheehan, who was arrested while attempting to perpetrate a sacrilegious robbery at Kanturk Catholic church, was returned for trial to the next assizes.

A Nationalist convention for South Down to select a candidate in place of Mr. McCartan, M. P., who is seeking the Chiltern Hundreds, was held at Maysbridge, near Newry, on February 11.

On Sunday morning a large flax mill at Irvinestown belonging to Capt. D'Arcy Irvine was burned to the ground. The origin of the fire is unknown. The fire took place before the workmen were on the premises.

A young girl named Jane Mehard was admitted to the Royal Hospital, Belfast, suffering from severe burns caused by her clothes catching fire at her parents' residence in Ardgowan street. On Saturday the little girl succumbed to her injuries.

On Friday night a fire broke out in the premises of Mr. Kevitt, a farmer and milkman, at Greenbatter, near Drogheda. Before it was got under control two pikes of hay and a pile of straw and a quantity of potatoes and turnips were burned, as well as the stables and outbuildings.

Michael Glennon, United Irish League organizer, Leixlip, has been served with a summons to appear at the Abbeyfeix sessions. He is charged with intimidation and is called upon to enter into bail to be of good behavior. The alleged offense is said to have taken place at a meeting held on December 22 at Abbeyfeix.

A Waterford correspondent wires: I regret to announce the death of Miss Kate Flynn, proprietress of the Weston Hotel, at Tramore, and sister of the esteemed pastor of Ballybricken, Waterford, the Rev. P. F. Flynn. The deceased lady had been in indifferent health for some time past, and her death was not altogether unexpected.

On the occasion of the silver jubilee in the priesthood of the Rev. William S. Donegan an interesting celebration took place at Lucan. An address of congratulation was presented to Father Donegan on behalf of the parishioners; the houses were illuminated, a torchlight procession took place through the streets, and a magnificent display of fireworks was given.

During Tuesday night the dwelling-house of John Johnston, farmer of Kilmalogue, King's county, was burned to the ground, nothing but the bare walls remaining. It is alleged to have been malicious. The occurrence has created as much indignation in the district as surprise, Johnston being a man of the highest respectability and known on all sides of the country for his good, neighborly qualities.

At Bantry quarter sessions the only criminal case for disposal was a charge of attempted suicide, in which the prisoner, who was certified to have been insane at the time, was allowed out on his own recognizance. Among the licensing applications was one by the Tourist Development Company for a license during the tourist season for the refreshment rooms at Bantry terminus, which was granted without opposition.

Within the past fortnight no less than five cases of death from burns took place in Limerick. The latest case is that of a boy named John Flannery, aged about two years, whose parents reside in Broad street. The child, during the temporary absence of his mother from the house, accidentally fell into the fire and died as the result of his injuries at Barrington's Hospital. In her endeavor to extricate the child from the fire, the mother got badly burned.

A sad case of drowning occurred in Belfast Lough, by which a man named Robert Scott lost his life. It appears that the deceased, who is said to reside at 104 Donegall road, Belfast, was employed as a cook and steward on board the pilot cutter Rosa. As they were coming up to town in the yawl, which acts as tender, by some means he fell overboard when the boat gave a sudden lurch. The mate and pilot threw out two of the oars, but he was unable to reach them.

An old woman named Eliza Brown, aged eighty years, who was a resident for the past sixteen years of Kingstown, met with a serious accident by burning on

Monday afternoon. She is believed to have been airing her cap at the fire when somehow her clothes caught alight, and despite her loud screams for help she was badly burned about the limbs and body before the flames were extinguished. The old woman is now lying in a serious condition at St. Michael's Hospital, Kingstown.

A Birr correspondent writes: A melancholy accident—with unhappily fatal consequences—occurred on Saturday night at Killyon, near Belmont, a station on the Clara and Banagher railway line. A young man named John Gunning, son of Henry Gunning, R. D. C., was returning home, carrying a gun which had been loaded and left incautiously at full-cock, when the trigger was caught by the upright of the wicket gate, and the contents discharged in the young man's face with fatal results.

News reached Waterford that the son of the diver employed by the Harbor Commissioners, a native of Cork, was drowned at Cheekpoint. The circumstances as far as have been ascertained, are that this young man and two others were proceeding in a boat towards a submerged wreck at which the deceased's father was engaged. The boat capsized, with the result that, notwithstanding the efforts of those who came to their assistance, the diver's son sank to rise no more, and the other two were rescued with the greatest difficulty.

The fiftieth annual general meeting of the patrons and members of the Cork Young Men's Society was held on Sunday, when a satisfactory report and statement of accounts were read and adopted. His Lordship, Most Rev. Dr. O'Callahan, Bishop of Cork, presided, and there was a large attendance of clergy and laity. Interesting speeches were delivered by His Lordship, Rev. P. J. Dowling, the Lord Mayor, High Sheriff-elect Roche, M. J. Stapleton, and A. M. Cole, J. P. Much interest was added to the proceedings by the fact that this year marks the golden jubilee of the society.

A remarkable story of audacity was told at the Belfast Police Court, when David Wilson was charged with burglariously entering the counting-house of T. J. Davidson. When Constable Maguire went to the premises Wilson opened the door and affably wished him good morning. He said that he was the watchman, as there had been so many burglaries lately. He took the Constable in and showed him round the building, pointing out the extensive nature of the stock and the need for keeping a careful watch. There were discrepancies in the story, however, so Maguire at the conclusion of the personally conducted tour, took Wilson into custody, with the result that he is now committed for trial at the assizes.

On Sunday a meeting was held at Kilmoran, Arran Island, to take steps for the erection of a new chapel at Kilmoran. For many years mass was celebrated on Sundays and holidays in an old schoolhouse. The inhabitants, according to their means, are prepared to contribute generously, but this must fall far short of the necessary funds. It is hoped the public will assist, as all who have ever visited Arran have noticed the great want of a suitable place of worship, and many who have read of the Arran Island will marvel that, in his all these years, no effort was made to provide suitable accommodation for the celebration of mass in an Island of Saints. Father Farragher presided at the meeting, and expressed a hope that the charitable public, who nobly responded to his appeal in January, 1900, on behalf of the friends of the drowned fishermen, and replaced the lost boats, will not fail to assist in the laudable project which his parishioners and himself are now about to undertake.

RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT.

At their last meeting Mackin Council, No. 205, Y. M. I., adopted the following: Whereas, It has pleased Almighty God to take from our midst our beloved brother, Jacob Haas, therefore be it Resolved, That in the death of our brother we feel deeply the loss of one who was a faithful member and beloved by us all.

Resolved, That the sympathy of Mackin Council, No. 205, Y. M. I., is hereby extended to his bereaved relatives.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to his relatives and that they be spread upon the minutes of Mackin Council and published in the Kentucky Irish American.

Resolved, That our charter be draped for a period thirty days as a mark of respect to the memory of our departed brother.

Our expenses in the Philippines continue to increase.

HIBERNIANS.

What They Have Been Doing the Past Week—General News Notes.

All Hibernians are invited to the Boer meeting at Music Hall tonight.

A bazar under the patronage of Division 7 of Lynn and the Ladies' Auxiliary will be held in April.

Hibernians regret the illness of John Kilkenny, of Division 3, who is suffering from threatened typhoid fever.

The Hibernians of Hampden county, Mass., will hold a field day on July 4. Among the attractions will be Gaelic games.

Division 64 is one of the most progressive in Philadelphia, scarcely a meeting passing without the initiation of new members.

Milwaukee Hibernians contributed generously to the fund being raised to transfer the remains of Father O'Growney to Ireland.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of Division 37 of Boston initiated ten candidates February 14. A ball will be given by the auxiliary and division March 17.

Division 4 of Roxbury, Mass., entertained 500 guests at the annual concert and ball, among the number being many county and division officers.

Divisions 1, 2 and 4 meet next week. Those who have candidates awaiting initiation should accompany them to Hibernian Hall next Tuesday evening.

President Michael Mooney, of Division 72 of Boston, was given a gold watch, chain and charm by the division at its annual concert and ball two weeks ago.

One hundred and fifty strong and wearing their badges, the members of Division 42 of Philadelphia attended the funeral of one of their brothers recently at the Jesu church.

Michael Hehir's friends will be pleased to learn that the injuries sustained by him last week are not so serious as was reported. He was thrown from his wagon and severely bruised.

The Hibernians of Spokane, Wash., have generously decided to donate the proceeds of their St. Patrick's day entertainment to the building fund of the new Catholic church.

The National Secretary demands that all State and county reports be in his hands March 1, and division officers who have not yet forwarded their reports should do so immediately.

Division 68 of Boston will observe the feast of Ireland's patron saint on St. Patrick's night by holding an entertainment in Fellowship Hall. It will have as guests the Ladies' Auxiliary.

A concert and lecture under the patronage of Division 14 of Providence, R. I., will be held on Sunday, March 16. The lecturer will be Thomas F. Cooney, and his subject, "The Irishman in the United States from 1848 to 1898."

Division 7 of Trenton, N. J., has decided to hold a fair in Taylor Opera House Assembly Rooms during the week beginning April 20. Committees have been appointed and are now perfecting the arrangements.

Generosity to a marked extent has been evidenced by Divisions 1 and 2 of Dayton, Ohio, Division 1 having donated \$100 to the St. Elizabeth Hospital, while Division 2 donated \$50 to the same institution. That both the gifts were appreciated goes without saying.

The members of Division 4, Ancient Order of Hibernians, who have not yet made returns of tickets for the dance given on January 24 will please do so at the meeting on February 26 by sending money or tickets, as the committee wishes to make a report to the division.

The social given recently under the auspices of the division at Bellefontaine, Ohio, proved a grand success, and the nice sum of \$100 was realized for the church. Miss Julia Fogarty, William Tynan and Mrs. Tealan were the lucky prize winners of the evening. The hall was beautifully decorated and "the green" was very much in evidence.

The Hibernians in Montana certainly flourish. They have their own magnificent hall, known as Hibernian Hall, in Butte, the finest building in the city, free of debt. Division 2 is about to build another hall and block, costing \$50,000, for its own use. They conduct their meetings in a most business-like manner, for they are all trained soldiers in the field from J. J. Lynch to J. J. Grogan, the dashing President of Division 2, to Edward Hughes, John O'Meara and their popular but humble millionaire State President, D. J. Henneary.



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